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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 IN RESPONSE TO THE DECEMBER 29, 2005 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the December 29, 2005 Final Office Action issued in the above-identified application. In that Office Action, a three-month shortened statutory period was set for response. Applicant hereby petitions for the necessary two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(2) to respond to that action and note that the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) in connection with this extension of time will be paid during electronic filing via the Revenue Accounting and Management System. A Notice of Appeal is also being filed herewith. If it is determined that any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this Reply, authorization to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2955 will be provided during electronic filing.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

¹ With the two-month extension of time, the response to Final Office Action is due on or before May 29, 2006. However, because May 29, 2006 is a Federal Holiday, the response is due the next business day, i.e., on or before May 30, 2006, under 37 U.S.C. § 1.7.